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Application Serial No. 09/911,703

Examiner: Ronald B. Schwadron

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Title: THERAPEUTIC APPLICATION OF CHIMERIC AND RADIOLABELED ANTIBODIES TO HUMAN B LYMPHOCYTE RESTRICTED DIFFERENTIATION ANTIGEN FOR TREATMENT OF B CELL LYMPHOMA

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ELECTION RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the official communication mailed on September 26, 2003, with a request for one-month extension of time.

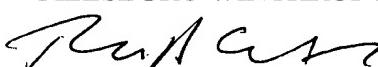
Applicants elect, with traverse, an anti-CD20 antibody variable region heavy chain encoded by the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:9, as in claim 23. Claims 21, 25, 26, 28-32, 37-57, and 63-67 read on the elected species. Upon allowance of a generic claim, applicants request that the related inventions of the remaining of claims 21-67 be considered.

The traversal is on the grounds that the subject matter of the claims 22 and 23 is contained within a single composition, namely the C2B8 (rituximab) antibody disclosed in the application. Thus, a search of both species does not place an undue burden on the examiner. Applicants further note that the examiner has erroneously characterized the inventions of claims 22-23 as chimeric antibodies. To clarify, applicants wish to point out that claims 22-23 are directed to an anti-CD20 variable region light chain (claim 22) and to an anti-CD20 variable region heavy chain (claim 23).

If there are any remaining questions regarding the election of species, applicants respectfully request that the examiner contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
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1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Independent Claims	Multiple Dependent	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
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1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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